

### Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph that begins at page 13, line 26 and that ends at page 14, line 9 with the following amended version of that paragraph:

FIG. 3 shows one form of the single-use strips of the present invention in tape 30. Tape 30 may be made in any shape, such as the crescent-like shape shown in FIG. 3, or other suitable shapes. The shape of tape 30[[,]] may also depend on the application. In some embodiments, tape 30 can include a tab on one or more ends of tape 30, such as, for example, tab 35. In some instances, tape 30 may be formed into pre-formed or pre-cut strips that a user simply removes a protective barrier from the adhesive area and applies it to his or her body. In such a configuration, a user might be able to purchase a box of pre-formed, single-use strips, to be used intermittently, as the need arises (for example, where a person experiences intermittent episodes of hemorrhoids). In a less expensive version, a user might purchase a roll of strips which can be torn off and applied to the body, in accordance with the present invention, to separate swollen tissue from non-swollen tissue.